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In re Application of:

Thomas G. WOOLSTON

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FACILITATING
ELECTRONIC COMMERCE THROUGH INTERNET AUCTIONS

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE
MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

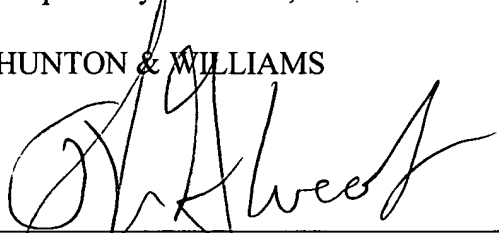
In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application mailed March 12, 1999, Applicant is submitting herewith a copy of the Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(f) and § 1.27(c)) which was filed in the parent case (09/166,779) of the above-captioned application. Reference to the Verified Statement in the parent case was made in the transmittal cover sheet (enclosed) of the above-referenced application. This verified statement that small entity status was appropriate in the parent case and is still appropriate in the above-captioned case entitles Applicant to pay reduced fees in accordance with U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") rules.

Our check in the amount of \$18.00 is attached to cover the additional claims fees in a small entity application. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the PTO charges, please charge or credit any difference to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
Filing Date Granted

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An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of ☐ \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or ☐ \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a

☐ small entity (statement filed) ☒ non-small entity is \$

☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- ☐ missing.
☒ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ 380.00 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

☐ 2. The following additional claims fees are due:

\$ 36.00 for 2 total claims over 20.

\$ _____ for _____ independent claims over 3.

\$ _____ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

☐ 3. The oath or declaration:

- ☐ is missing or unsigned.
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).

☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.

☐ 8. The application was filed in a language other than English.

Applicant must file a verified English translation of the application, the \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).

☐ 9. OTHER:

Direct the reply and any questions about this notice to "Attention: Box Missing Parts."

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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